DENISE COTE, District Judge:

A sentencing is scheduled to occur on April 23, 2021 at 9:00 AM. The defendant is incarcerated. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the defendant may have the option of appearing in court or through a videoconference. If, due to the increase in demand for videoconference proceedings, a videoconference is not available it may be possible to arrange for a telephone conference. Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED that defense counsel shall respond to the following two questions by  $5:00\ PM$  on April 15, 2021:

- 1) Does the defendant consent to have the proceeding occur as a videoconference?
- 2) If a videoconference is unavailable, does the defendant consent to have the proceeding occur as a telephone conference?

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If the defendant consents to either option, please complete and file on ECF the written consent form attached to this Order if it is feasible to do so.

Dated: New York, New York

April 6, 2021

DENISE COTE

United  $\sharp$ tates District Judge